

REGULAR MEETING OF THE FALL RIVER SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Monday, January 14, 2019

5:30 PM

Morton Middle School Auditorium

1135 North Main Street

Fall River, MA 02720

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AGENDA

1. Roll Call
2. Salute to the Flag
3. Citizens Input
4. Recognition Awards
5. Superintendent's Report
6. Student Comment/Student Delegate Report
7. Approval of Minutes
8. Committee of the Whole
9. New Business: Topics for discussion that could not reasonably be anticipated by the Chairman forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting
10. Request for Executive –
 - o M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(7): To review and approve Executive Session Committee Minutes for the December 10, 2018 Regular Meeting of the Fall River School Committee.
 - o M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3): To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining relative to ALL maintenance employees of the Fall River School System represented by American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees Council 93, Local 1118.
 - o M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3): To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining relative to ALL custodial employees of the Fall River School System represented by American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees Council 93, Local 1118.
 - o M.G.L. Chapter 30A Section 21 (a)(1): . To review the Open Meeting Law Complaint dated December 11, 2018, filed by Collin Dias regarding allegations that at the Fall River School Committee Meeting of December 10, 2018 the Fall River School Committee and Mayor Jasiel F. Correia II violated M.G.L. Chapter 30A Section 20 (a) and 20(g), by allegedly inviting everyone who was present at the meeting for the recognition awards to leave.
 - o M.G.L. Chapter 30A Section 21 (a)(1): To review the Open Meeting Law Complaint dated December 11, 2018, filed by Collin Dias regarding allegations that at the Fall River School Committee Meeting of December 10, 2018 the Fall River School Committee and Mayor Jasiel F. Correia II violated M.G.L. Chapter 30A Section 22 and 20(b) by addressing Item No. 4 on the Agenda, Recognition Awards, prior to addressing Item No. 3 on the Agenda, Citizens Input without a vote.
 - o M.G.L. Chapter 30A Section 21 (a)(1): To review the Open Meeting Law Complaint dated December 11, 2018, filed by Collin Dias regarding allegations that at the Fall River School Committee Meeting of December 10, 2018 the Fall River School Committee and Mayor Jasiel F. Correia II violated the Open

Meeting Law when the School Committee approved the minutes from August 20, 2018, October 15, 2018, and November 19, 2018, without a formal motion to approve the minutes and that the August 20, 2018 minutes were approved late.

- M.G.L.Chapter 30A Section 21 (a)(1): To review the Open Meeting Law Complaint dated December 11, 2018, filed by Collin Dias regarding allegations that at the Fall River School Committee Meeting of December 10, 2018 the Fall River School Committee and Mayor Jasiel F. Correia II violated the Open Meeting Law when Chairman Jasiel F. Correia II did not state the purpose of executive session, and did not announce whether the open session will reconvene, but instead instructed and authorized Legal Counsel to the School Committee to state the purposes of the executive session and to announce that the School Committee would reconvene in open session.
- M.G.L.Chapter 30A Section 21 (a)(1): To review the Open Meeting Law Complaint dated December 11, 2018, filed by Collin Dias regarding allegations that at the Fall River School Committee Meeting of December 10, 2018 the Fall River School Committee and Mayor Jasiel F. Correia II were in violation of the Open Meeting Law as 8 of the 10 items listed under the " Discussions" was proceeded with the statement "vote to approve", which Mr. Dias alleges expressed the opinion of the Chair.
- M.G.L.Chapter 30A Section 21 (a)(1): To review the Open Meeting Law Complaint dated December 11, 2018, filed by Collin Dias regarding allegations that at the Fall River School Committee Meeting of December 10, 2018 the Fall River School Committee and Mayor Jasiel F. Correia II were in violation of Section 20 (b) of the Open Meeting Law. Mr. Dias alleges that the Addendum was not read in open session.
- M.G.L.Chapter 30A Section 21 (a)(1): To review the Open Meeting Law Complaint dated December 28, 2018, filed by Collin Dias that questions the eligibility of a School Committee member to serve on the School Committee. Mr. Dias alleges that the Fall River School Committee and Mayor Jasiel F. Correia II violated the Open Meeting Law at the Fall River School Committee Meeting of December 10, 2018.
- M.G.L.Chapter 30A Section 21 (a)(1): To review the Open Meeting Law Complaint dated December 28, 2018, filed by Collin Dias regarding the fact that on December 24, 2018, Attorney Bruce Assad legal counsel to the Fall River School Committee responded to Mr. Dias' December 5, 2018 and December 7, 2018 meeting law complaints. Mr. Dias' claimed violation of the Open Meeting Law is that the Response prepared by Attorney Assad was addressed to the Attorney General's Office and CC'd to him. Mr. Dias alleges that since the Response was addressed to the Attorney General's Office the School Committee violated the Open Meeting Law.
- M.G.L. Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(2): To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel and/or to conduct contract negotiations with non-union personnel including Elizabeth Olson, Special Education Bilingual Community Facilitator.

11. Addendum

CITIZENS INPUT

This agenda item allows time for public comment on topics related to the Agenda. The Committee would like the opportunity to hear the wishes and ideas of the public. Although this is not a time for discussion, the School Committee appreciates public input and may refer such comments to administration for appropriate follow-up.

RECOGNITION AWARDS

There are no Recognition Awards this month.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

This agenda item provides an opportunity for the Superintendent to share letters of recognition, commendation, or other news associated with Fall River Public Schools.

- Cursive Writing
- School Finance Symposium Update

STUDENT COMMENT/STUDENT DELEGATE REPORT

This agenda item provides an opportunity for the Student Delegate(s) (*when present*) to make appropriate comments regarding school events, school issues important to students, or student government-related activities in their schools. The Student Delegate(s) may recommend items for future consideration.

- National Honor Society
- Human Trafficking Professional Development
- Tutors for Toppers
- Committee Updates
- ‘I AM FALL RIVER’ Shirts

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

04/04/18	Evaluation Subcommittee
11/05/18	Instructional Subcommittee
11/13/18	Regular Meeting of the Fall River School Committee
11/28/18	Special Education, Alternative Education, Early College Subcommittee
12/10/18	Regular Meeting of the Fall River School Committee

TRAVEL REQUESTS

Durfee High School Principal, Matthew Desmarais, requests permission for travel:

Destination	Cape Cod Resort& Conference Center, Hyannis, MA
Objective(s) of the Trip:	District 8 DECA Competition
Class/Club/Grade	DECA Club- Durfee High School
# of Adult Chaperones	2
# of Students	10
Teacher(s) in Charge	Irene Houle
Date(s)	January 10, 2019-January 11, 2019
Departure/Return Time	1/10/19-8:30am 1/11/19-2pm
Means of Transportation	Bus
Cost per Student	\$165
Funding Source(s)	Fund Raising/CTE funds

*Please note: This is a retroactive request

Director of Fine and Performing Arts, Jacqueline Francisco, requests permission for travel:

Destination	NAFME National Conference in Texas
Objective(s) of the Trip:	National Association for Music Education Conference: Presenting “Interactive Learning Structures”
Names of Participants	Rebecca Jontos
Date(s)	11/10/18-11/14/18

Departure/Return Time	11/10/18 5:00am 11/14/18 8:00pm
Means of Transportation	Uber & Plane
Cost	\$1,629.08
Funding Source(s)	Fine Arts

*Please note: This is a retroactive request

Durfee High School Principal, Matthew Desmarais, requests permission to travel:

Destination	Roger Williams University
Objective(s) of the Trip:	Financial Aid Professional Development
Name of Participants	Kim Napolitano/ Bethany Guimond
Date(s)	1/18/19
Departure/Return Time	Departure 7:30am Return 12 pm
Means of Transportation	Car (personal)
Cost	0
Funding Source(s)	0

Durfee High School Principal, Matthew Desmarais, requests permission to travel:

Destination	International Beauty Show New York, New York City Jacob Javits Convention Center
Objective(s) of the Trip:	International Beauty Show (see attached)
Name of Participants	Heidi Gubala Kerry Torres
Date(s)	3/12/19
Departure/Return Time	Departure 5:30am Return 10:00pm
Means of Transportation	Bus
Cost	Student tickets \$38
Funding Source(s)	Fund raising/ Healthy Snack sales

Resiliency Preparatory Academy Principal, Robert Correia, requests permission to travel:

Destination	Newport Mansions, Newport, RI
Objective(s) of the Trip:	Cross-Curricular activity for "The Great Gatsby"
Class/Club/Grade	English (Grades 10-12)
# of Adult Chaperones	2
# of Students	10
Teacher(s) in Charge	Mr. Ken Kvit
Date(s)	February 14, 2019
Departure/Return Time	9:00am – 2:30pm
Means of Transportation	Transportation provided by People's Incorporated
Cost per Student	\$2.00 to defer the cost of admission
Funding Source(s)	School Fundraiser

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Objective(s) of the Trip:	Cross-Curricular activity for "The Great Gatsby"
Class/Club/Grade	History (Grades 10-12)
# of Adult Chaperones	2
# of Students	10
Teacher(s) in Charge	Mr. Dermont Murphy
Date(s)	February 21, 2019

Departure/Return Time	9:00am – 2:30pm
Means of Transportation	Transportation provided by People’s Incorporated
Cost per Student	\$2.00 to defer the cost of admission
Funding Source(s)	School Fundraiser

Resiliency Preparatory Academy Principal, Robert Correia, requests permission to travel:

Destination	Newport Mansions, Newport, RI
Objective(s) of the Trip:	Cross-Curricular activity for “The Great Gatsby”
Class/Club/Grade	Math(Grades 10-12)
# of Adult Chaperones	2
# of Students	10
Teacher(s) in Charge	Mr. Mazza
Date(s)	February 28, 2019
Departure/Return Time	9:00am – 2:30pm
Means of Transportation	Transportation provided by People’s Incorporated
Cost per Student	\$2.00 to defer the cost of admission
Funding Source(s)	School Fundraiser

Resiliency Preparatory Academy Principal, Robert Correia, requests permission to travel:

Destination	Newport Mansions, Newport, RI
Objective(s) of the Trip:	Cross-Curricular activity for “The Great Gatsby”
Class/Club/Grade	Science (Grades 10-12)
# of Adult Chaperones	2
# of Students	10
Teacher(s) in Charge	Mr. Alex Erickson
Date(s)	March 14, 2019
Departure/Return Time	9:00am – 2:30pm
Means of Transportation	Transportation provided by People’s Incorporated
Cost per Student	\$2.00 to defer the cost of admission
Funding Source(s)	School Fundraiser

Letourneau Elementary School Principal, David Assad, requests permission to travel:

Destination	Providence, RI
Objective(s) of the Trip:	Project Providence Students learn importance of good health and working hard in school through student athletic trainers and academic advisors. Students will engage in teamwork drills and living an active lifestyle.
Class/Club/Grade	Basketball Teams (girls & boys)
# of Adult Chaperones	3
# of Students	28
Teacher(s) in Charge	Kate Resendes
Date(s)	January 18, 2019
Departure/Return Time	9:15am – 2:45pm
Means of Transportation	Bus
Cost per Student	0
Funding Source(s)	PTO

DONATIONS

- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of the Barbara Allard, requests acceptance of a \$20,000 donation from Bristol County Savings Charitable Foundation, Inc. This donation will be used for min-grants for attendance strategies for schools.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of the Fall River Public Schools, requests acceptance of a \$15,000 donation from MEDITECH. This donation will be used at the discretion of the Fall River Public Schools for the advancement of technology and technology instruction.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of Kenneth Pacheco, Chief Operating Officer, requests acceptance of a \$10,522 donation from the New England Dairy and Food Council. This donation will be used to purchase supplies for Breakfast in the Classroom at Talbot Middle School and Durfee High School.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of the Durfee High School Principal, Matthew Desmarais, requests acceptance of power tools valued at \$3,200 a donation from Tool Box Buzz/Michael Delisle. This donation will help enhance our program, allowing students to learn and practice their skills with industry standard tools.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of the Kuss Middle School Principal, Maria Pontes, requests acceptance of a \$1,800 donation from Baycoast Bank. This donation will be used for Transportation Assistance for the special needs program to visit community businesses.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of the Fonseca Elementary School Principal, Alicia Lisi, requests acceptance of a 10'9"x13' rug valued at \$629.97 a donation from Donor's Choose. This donation will be used by the students during music class.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of the Durfee High School Principal, Matthew Desmarais, requests acceptance of 10 Classroom Guitars valued at 549.90 a donation from Donor's Choose. This donation will be used for a project called "WOW! I Can Play Guitar!".
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of the Durfee High School Principal, Matthew Desmarais, requests acceptance of a 50 books valued at \$496 a donation from Carrie Devine. This donation will be used for ELA Honors outside reading book.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of the Watson Elementary School Principal, Cathy Carvalho, requests acceptance of \$450 a donation from The Jones Family. This donation will be used to pay for bus transportation to the Boys and Girls Club each Monday for practice during the 2019 elementary basketball season.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of the Greene Elementary School Principal, Dr. Joanne Pereira, requests acceptance of an 11" Dell Chromebook, carrying case and a 2 year protection plan valued at \$230 a donation from Stephen McCarthy. This donation will be used to increase accessibility to technology for all students in 4th grade G.A.T.E.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of the Tansey Elementary School Principal, Christopher Audette, requests acceptance of Kleenex Facial Tissue, Clorox Disinfecting Wipes, Cart File Legal Size with Caddy and Kid's Percussion Rain Forest Djembe worth \$130.38 a donation from Donor's Choose. This donation will be used to fund the project "Music Travels."

- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of the Fonseca Elementary School Principal, Alicia Lisi, requests acceptance of 6 Google Chrome books a donation from Kathy and Bob Wood. This donation will be used to enhance blended learning opportunities for K-2 students.
- Superintendent Malone, on behalf of the Fall River Public Schools, requests acceptance of 90 3-pack of #2 pencils, 60 glue sticks, 30 erasers, 30 pencil sharpeners, 30 rulers, 30 folders, 30 glue bottles, 30 pencil cases, 30 5-pack of crayons, 30 5-pack of colored pencils, 30 5-pack markers, 5 scissors, 30 Yoobi stickers a donation from National Grid. This donation will be used district wide for Art classrooms.

CONTRACTS

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VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	FUNDING SOURCE & AMOUNT
FACILITIES & OPERATIONS		
ENE Systems Inc.	Emergency Repairs/Service for HLCS Refrigeration	Facilities & Operations Budget-\$11,530.39
SPECIAL NEEDS CONTRACTS		
Home for Little Wanderers	Tuition for Special Needs Student	Operating Budget-SPED-\$58,663.46
New England Center for Children	Tuition for Special Needs Student	Operating Budget-SPED-\$75,342.90

GRANTS

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Grant Name	Funding	Duration	Amount	Grant Director
Parent-Child Home Program Expansion	State	12/10/2018-06/30/2019	\$ 25,000.00	Cynthia Couto
Perkins	Federal	10/30/2018-08/31/2019	\$ 131,674.00	Raymond Medeiros
Turnaround Assistance	Federal/State	12/04/2018-08/31/2019	\$ 150,000.00	Julia Carlson
Early Childhood Special Education Discretionary Federal Program Improvement	Federal	12/05/2018-08/31/2019	\$ 7,000.00	Ann Dargon
TOTAL			\$ 313,674.00	

DISCUSSIONS

1. **Vote to Approve:** Election of Vice-Chairperson of the Fall River School Committee. (Policy BDA: Nominations for the office of Vice-Chairperson will be made from the floor. The Vice-Chairperson will be elected by a majority roll-call vote of the members present and voting.)
2. **Recommendation and Vote to Approve:** The appointment of the Special Education Director, Michael Losche, as recommended by Dr. Matthew Malone, Superintendent of Schools.
3. **Second Read and Vote to Approve:** Budget Priorities FY20, as presented by Dr. Matthew Malone, Superintendent of Schools.
4. **First Read:** Program of Studies/Course Catalog at Durfee High School, as referred by the Instructional Subcommittee and presented by Mr. Matthew Desmarais, Principal of Durfee High School.

5. **Discussion and Vote to Approve:** Transportation Contract Tremblay Bus-vans, as referred by the Facilities and Operations Subcommittee and presented by Kenneth Pacheco, Chief Operating Officer.
6. **Discussion and Vote to Approve:** Transportation IFB Yellow Buses Bid Specifications, as referred by the Facilities and Operations Subcommittee and presented by Kenneth Pacheco, Chief Operating Officer.
7. **Vote to Approve:** Second Quarter Revolving Fund, as presented by Kevin Almeida, Chief Financial Officer.
8. **Vote to Approve:** Year to Date Budget Report, as presented by Kevin Almeida, Chief Financial Officer.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

RETIREMENTS:

Name	Position	Effective
Dennis Berube	District Assistant Storekeeper	3/08/19
Jill Dumont	Nurse, Morton Middle School	6/30/19
Elizabeth Gustafson	Social Studies Teacher, Durfee High School	6/30/19
Teresa Moniz	Art Teacher, Talbot Middle School	6/30/19
Douglas Brad Silva	District Tech Support	8/14/19
Kathleen Murphy-Silveira	School Nurse	6/30/19
Patricia Carroll-Souza	Grade 3 Teacher, Greene Elementary School	6/30/19

RESIGNATIONS:

Name	Position	Effective
William Baga	Math Interventionist, Resiliency Preparatory Academy	12/04/18
Melissa Borges	Part Time Cafeteria Workers	12/21/18
Kristin Donahue	Director of Special Education	12/31/18
Susan Mello	Clerk, Watson Elementary School	03/01/19
Cayla Silvia	Paraprofessional, Henry Lord Community School	01/04/19
Brian Vanderhoop	Part Time Cafeteria Workers	12/21/18
Lindsay Velozo	Special Education Teacher, Morton Middle Schools	01/09/19

APPOINTMENTS:

Name/Address	Position	Effective	Salary/Certifications
Joshua Baxter 4 Walker Farm Lane Barrington, RI 02806	Physical Education Teacher, Doran Community School	01/02/19	\$41,599 per annum Bachelor's Degree, Step 1
Laura Baylies 919 Bay Street, Unit 115 Fall River, MA 02724	Speech Language Pathologist, Spencer Borden Elementary School	01/03/19	\$43,378 per annum Bachelor's Degree +45, Step 1
Zoe Boza 26 Second Street Westport, MA 02790	STEM Teacher, Greene Elementary School	01/02/19	\$43,936 per annum Master's Degree, Step 1
Kayla Cruz 62 Ninth Street Fall River, MA 02720	Pre-K Paraprofessional, Greene Elementary School	01/14/19	\$14.92 hourly Para Pro Exam, Step 6
Bethany DeBalsi	Grade 1 Teacher, Letourneau	12/10/18	\$41,599 per annum

30 Parker Street New Bedford, MA 02740	Elementary Schools		Bachelor's Degree, Step 1
Karen Facchiano 21 Elm Street Assonet, MA 02702	Special Education, Self-Contained, Paraprofessional, Stone School	01/02/19	\$15.22 hourly 120 credits, Step 4
Chantell Ferreira 104 Centre Street Fall River, MA 02726	Special Education Paraprofessional, Talbot Middle School	01/02/19	\$14.24 hourly Associate's Degree, Step 3
Jennifer Kay 102 Sonny's Way Dighton, MA 02715	Grade 3 Teacher, Viveiros Elementary School	12/12/18	\$53,085 per annum Bachelor's Degree, Step 6
Kaitlyn Lesieur 30 Lester Street Fall River, MA 02724	Special Education Paraprofessional, Henry Lord Community School	01/07/19	\$14.02 hourly Para Pro Exam, Step 2
Kaitlyn Murphy 539 Spring Street North Dighton, MA 02764	Grade 3 ELA/SS Teacher, Fonseca Elementary School	01/02/19	\$41,599 per annum Bachelor's Degree, Step 1
Elizabeth Olson 7 Holstein Road Mansfield, MA 02048	Special Education Bilingual Community Facilitator, Special Education Department	01/02/19	\$33,000 per annum
Felecia Pao 208 Princeton Street New Bedford, MA 02745	Special Education Paraprofessional, Kuss Middle School	01/07/19	\$13.78 hourly Para Pro Exam, Step 1
Moises Roman-Pomales 247 Fifth Street Fall River, MA 02721	ESL Paraprofessional, Talbot Middle School	12/10/18	\$13.78 hourly Bachelor's Degree, Step 1
Jessica Santolin 14 Boyden Boulevard Riverside, RI 02915	Electrician, Fall River Public Schools	12/17/18	\$2,032.96 bi-weekly
Jennifer Santos 267 Cherry Street Fall River, MA 02720	Part Time Safety Officer, Facilities and Operations Department	12/10/18	\$15.96 hourly Level 3
Lauren Securo 153 Mt. Hope Avenue Bristol, RI 02809	Special Education Paraprofessional, Durfee High School	12/11/18	\$13.78 hourly Bachelor's Degree, Step 1
Meghan Shaw 682 County Street Attleboro, MA 02703	Special Education Teacher, Viveiros Elementary School	12/03/18	\$43,936 per annum Master's Degree, Step 1
Briana Sheppard 335 President Avenue, Apt. 3 Fall River, MA 02720	Special Education, Self-Contained, Paraprofessional, Viveiros Elementary School	12/12/18	\$14.02 hourly 85 Credits, Step 2
Brenna Souza 351 Kenyon Street Fall River, MA 02720	Behavior Therapist, Resiliency Preparatory Academy	12/10/18	\$41,599 per annum Bachelor's Degree, Step 1
Nancy Souza 28 Howland Road Lakeville, MA 02347	ESL Paraprofessional, Talbot Middle School	01/02/19	\$13.78 hourly Para Pro Exam, Step 1
Samantha Trainor 375 Angell Road, Unit H North Providence, RI 02904	Kindergarten Paraprofessional, Viveiros Elementary School	12/12/18	\$14.80 hourly Bachelor's Degree, Step 5

Derik Tutt 49 Lincoln Avenue, #2 Cranston, RI 02920	Paraprofessional, Fonseca Elementary School	01/02/19	\$13.78 hourly 121 Credits, Step 1
Christie Villaume 54 Beaufort Street, Apt. 1 Providence, RI 02908	ESL Teacher, Viveiros Elementary School	12/10/18	\$44,236 per annum Master's Degree +15, Step 1

DEATH NOTICES:

Name	Position	Date of Death
Katherine Kilroy	Nurse, Fall River Public Schools	12/15/18
Linda S. Leahey	Teacher's Aide, Fall River Public Schools	1/01/19
Judith Mauretti	Administrative Assistant, Durfee High School	1/01/19
Robert T. Mercer	Administrator of Special Education & Speech Therapist	12/11/18
Edwina Powers	Elementary Teacher, Fall River Public Schools	12/10/18
Florence Rocha	Cafeteria Worker, Fall River Public Schools	12/29/18

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra Cabral

Administrative Assistant

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